

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroyoshi TOMITA

Group Art Unit: 2818

Application No.: 09/587,296

Examiner: C. Yoha

Filed: June 5, 2000

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108397-00067

For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT, METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE
SAME, AND VARIABLE DELAY CIRCUIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 21, 2002

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:


Please cancel claims 1-19 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

One claim is pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-19 are cancelled. No new matter is contained in the amendment.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 making reference to Attorney Docket No. 108397-00012.

Respectfully submitted,



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